

## ABSTRACT:

An apparatus for preparing coffee includes a holder (4) provided with an access opening (24) for placing a pouch filled with a product to be extracted into the holder (4); a cover (34) for closing and releasing the access opening (24); clamping means (70) for pressing the holder (4) and cover (34) towards each other when the cover (34) closes off the access opening (24) of the holder (4); and closing means (80) for retaining the cover (34) and the clamping means (70) in position when the cover (34) closes off the access opening (24) of the holder (4). The closing means (80) are mechanically coupled to the clamping means (70) for bringing the clamping means (70) from a non-clamping condition into a clamping condition by manually operating the closing means (80) from a first defined position to a second defined position.

Fig. 1